

RESOLUTION NO. 2010-01

INTENT TO CHANGE THE GALLATIN LOCAL WATER QUALITY DISTRICT BOUNDARY—WESTERN EXPANSION

This Resolution was introduced by Board Chair Sherwin Leep, moved by Board member Steve White, seconded by Board Vice-Chair Gretchen Rupp, and approved by vote, six (6) in favor, none (0) opposed, three (3) absent/vacant, on January 14, 2010.

History: The Gallatin Local Water Quality District (GLWQD) was created by the Gallatin County Commission with passage of County Resolution 1995-55, under the authority of Montana Code Annotated (MCA) 7-13-Part 45. The GLWQD program was approved by the Montana Board of Environmental Review on June 20, 1997, as required by MCA 75-5-202. The GLWQD is funded by a \$6.00/year fee assessed on improved properties within the District.

Mission Statement: The Mission of the GLWQD is to protect, preserve, and improve the quality of surface waters and ground waters within the District. The GLWQD provides education and assistance to District residents, including information on water quality and quantity, proper care of ground water wells and septic systems, water quality testing, and safe handling and disposal of hazardous chemicals. The GLWQD also maintains a network of ground-water monitoring wells, routinely works with other agencies and organizations to monitor ground water and surface water quality, and periodically conducts special investigations to evaluate water quality issues.

Whereas: Pollution and degradation of ground water and surface water pose both immediate and long-term threats to the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of Gallatin County; and

Whereas: The costs to clean up contaminated ground water and surface water far exceed the costs to prevent contamination in the first place; and

Whereas: The expansion of the District boundary to the west of the current boundary would allow the GLWQD to expend funds and dedicate staff time to monitoring water quality, assisting residents in the area, and assessing water quality issues.

Whereas: It is the desire of the GLWQD Board to extend efforts to protect and preserve water quality to the west of the current District boundary by expanding to include lands legally described in Exhibit A.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the GLWQD Board intends to change the District boundary to include the land area to the west of the current boundary, and described in Exhibit A, pursuant to the authority and procedures set forth in Title 7, Chapter 13, Part 45, Montana Code Annotated.

Dated this 14th day of January, 2010

Attest:


Charlotte Mills, Clerk and Recorder

Gallatin Local Water
Quality District Board


Sherwin Leep, Chair

EXHIBIT A-RESOLUTION 2010-1
LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF BOUNDARY CHANGE
FOR WESTERN EXPANSION

Beginning at the northwest corner of Section Four (4), Township One (1) North, Range Two (2) East; thence south along the section line to the southwest corner of Section Thirty-three (33), Township One (1) North, Range Two (2) East; thence west along the section line to the northwest corner of Section Four (4), Township One (1) South, Range Two (2) East; thence south along the section line to the southwest corner of Section Twenty-one (21), Township Two (2) South, Range Two (2) East; thence east along the section line to the southeast corner of Section Twenty-one (21), Township Two (2) South, Range Three (3) East, which is the same as the northwest corner of Section Twenty-seven (27), Township Two (2) South, Range Three (3) East; thence south along the section line to the southwest corner of Section Thirty-four (34), Township Three (3) South, Range Three (3) East; thence east along the section line to the southeast corner of Section Thirty-six (36), Township Three (3) South, Range Three (3) East; thence north along the section line to the northeast corner of Section One (1), Township One (1) South, Range Three (3) East; thence west along the section line to the southwest corner of Section Thirty-one (31), Township One (1) North, Range Three (3) East; thence north along the section line to the northeast corner of Section One (1), Township One (1) North, Range Two (2) East; thence west along the section line to the northwest corner of Section Four (4), Township One (1) North, Range Two (2) East, that being the point of beginning.